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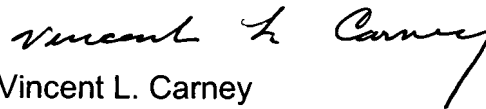
Sir:

In response to the Office action mailed September 19, 2007, in the above-identified case, the applicant provisionally elects with traverse the claims of Group I, claims 1-12 drawn to a method of forming a density gradient solution in order to perform density gradient separations.

The requirement for restriction of the Examiner is respectfully traversed because of the close relationship between the claims of Group I and Groups II, III and IV. A search of the claims of Group I will necessarily encompass the search of the claims of Groups II, III and IV since the claims of Group II are drawn to a gradient former, the claims of Group III are drawn to an apparatus for performing density gradient separations and the claims of Group IV are drawn to a combination of a shipping container and an immobilized solution.

Because the searches are interwoven, it is respectfully submitted that the inventions have not acquired a separate status in the art. It is well known that the excellent classification system of the United States Patent and Trademark Office is much more detailed than the actual separate status of fields known in the art.

Respectfully submitted,

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